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In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Canceled)
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15. (Currently amended) An orthodontic appliance for shipment to a user including a metal appliance body having a buccal/labial archwire receiving side and a lingual side, and a light-permeable, heat or light-cured polymer resin bonding base molded onto the lingual side of the body such that at least a part of the body is embedded in the base and the base includes an integral peripheral lip overlapping a part of the appliance body

wherein the light-permeable base enhances the use of and curing of a light-cure adhesive by allowing the curing light to penetrate beneath the appliance when bonding the appliance to a tooth to substantially increase the bond strength of the appliance on a tooth.

16. (Previously presented) The orthodontic appliance of Claim 15, wherein the polymer resin base is acrylic, epoxy or acrylic-based epoxy.

17. (Previously presented) The orthodontic appliance of Claim 15, wherein the appliance is a bracket or a tube.

18. (Canceled)

19. (Canceled)

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21. (Canceled)

22. (Canceled)

23. (Canceled)

24. (Currently amended) A method of making an orthodontic appliance for shipment to a user including a body of ceramic, metal, or plastic having a buccal/labial archwire receiving side and a lingual side, and

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a light-permeable polymer resin bonding base molded onto the lingual side of the body such that at least part of the body is embedded in the base,

wherein the base is molded to the body,

said method comprising the steps of:

making an orthodontic appliance body of ceramic, metal, or plastic of one size such that when a bondable light-permeable polymer resin base is molded to the lingual side of the body the base includes an integral peripheral lip overlapping a part of the appliance body,

wherein [[and]] a bondable orthodontic appliance is produced for shipment to a user for bonding to a tooth, and

said body having an archwire receiving side and a lingual side on which the base is molded, and

molding a light-permeable, light-curable or heat-curable polymer resin bonding base to the lingual side of the body such that the lingual side is at least partially embedded in the base and a peripheral lip is formed that overlaps a part of the appliance body

wherein the light-permeable base enhances the use of and curing of a light-cure adhesive by allowing the curing light to penetrate beneath the appliance when bonding the appliance to a tooth to substantially increase the bond strength of the appliance on a tooth.

25. (Currently amended) An orthodontic appliance for shipment to a user including an appliance body of metal, ceramic, or plastic, having a buccal/labial archwire receiving side and a lingual side, and

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a light-permeable, heat or light-cured polymer resin bonding base molded onto the lingual side of the body such that at least part of the body is embedded in the base and the base includes [a] an integral peripheral lip overlapping a part of the appliance body,

said integral peripheral lip assuring the base is properly bonded to the appliance body to withstand the forces applied to the body by an archwire during use by a patient,

and said appliance further including a first groove formed in said appliance body and a second groove formed in said base coacting with said first groove to define an opening for receiving an arm of an auxiliary appliance or a secondary archwire for applying a predetermined force to a tooth on which the appliance may be mounted,

wherein the light-permeable base enhances the use of and curing of a light-cure adhesive by allowing the curing light to penetrate beneath the appliance when bonding the appliance to a tooth to substantially increase the bond strength of the appliance on a tooth.